

## **FISCAL NOTE**

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate  
Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: March 10, 1995

SUBJECT: **HJR 135**

This resolution, if adopted, will propose to amend Article I of the Tennessee Constitution for the purpose of establishing certain constitutional rights to which victims of crime are entitled; authorizing the general assembly to enact legislation to define, enforce, implement and protect such rights; and providing for safe prisons, the inspection of prisons and the humane treatment of prisoners.

The resolution provides that the foregoing amendment be referred to the 100th General Assembly and be published in accordance with the Constitution of Tennessee, Article XI, Section 3.

The fiscal impact from adoption of this resolution is estimated to be an increase in state expenditures of approximately \$3,000 due to the printing of a notice of the proposed amendment in certain newspapers.

Since the question to amend the Constitution will be held in conjunction with the November 1998 general election, the cost of adding this one question to the ballot will be minimal.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James A. Davenport". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "J".

James A. Davenport, Executive  
Director